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Monthly Newsletter

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The President's Dispatch

Well I hope we have seen the last of that cold snowy weather. Unfortunately it caused us to not have a February meeting so I don't have much new to report. Richard Jackson promised an update on the



results of the Club Buying program at the March meeting. So we have that and the auction to look forward to. By the time you receive this newsletter, KnoxPEX will be over and I hope that those who attended had great success at the dealer's tables and the auction. Our own club's upcoming HOLPEX will be on May 8 & 9 at the Best Western on North Roan Street in Johnson City. Bill Vance reports that everything is on schedule for the 2 day show.

Since we only have 2 regular meetings between now and the show we need to understand in the March meeting who the exhibitors will be and what their display needs are. So, think about what you want to exhibit and be willing to discuss that in the March meeting.

Our next club meeting is at the Northeast State Community College Student Services Building on Thursday (7 PM) on March 19. We will continue with special auctions so bring your items to the March club meeting. Please fill out the special auction sheets for your lots in advance (2 copies please) and mark the lots accordingly) . The new Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs website is up and our recent newsletters are posted there. Check it out at the web address at bottom on next page.

March 4, 2015, will be the Sesquicentennial Anniversary of the 1865 Inauguration. On that date 150 years ago, President Abraham Lincoln gave his second Inaugural Address and Andrew Johnson—favorite

Club Calendar

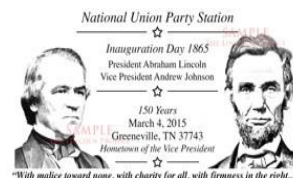


Guests and Visitors always Welcome!

March 19th - 7 p.m.
Monthly Meeting

See President's Dispatch for details

son of Greeneville, Tennessee—became the new Vice President. The Post Office is issuing a special pictorial postmark to mark the 150th Anniversary. Two inches by four inches, the postmark features images of Lincoln and Johnson, and reads: "National Union Party Station - Inauguration Day 1865, President Abraham Lincoln, Vice President Andrew Johnson - 150 Years, March 4, 2015, Greeneville, TN 37743, hometown of the Vice President - ' With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right.... "



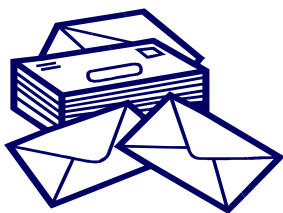
A temporary philatelic station was open at 2:00 PM at the Andrew Johnson Homestead, 209 South Main Street, Greeneville, TN. Representatives of the USPS postmarked mail and collectible materials. Stamps and special commemorative cachet were available. The postmark may also be obtained by request from the Greeneville Post Office for 30 days after the event. Unfortunately, I didn't

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hear about this event in time to alert the club members or attend myself. The club treasurer informs me that some of you have not yet paid your dues for 2015. March would be a good time to take care of that.

We received 18 responses to our 2015 survey. The results of the survey are attached for your perusal. I am looking forward to seeing you all at the upcoming March meeting. Look at these KnoxPEX pictures .

Dick

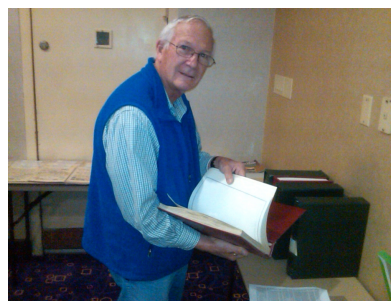


Unless otherwise indicated
by announcement in the newsletter,
Holston Stamp Club conducts its regular
meeting on the third Thursday
each month at 7 p.m.

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Stamp Subject of the Month by your newsletter editor

Soon will be the centennial of an event that was part of World War I and similar to the *Titanic*.

Back in 2012 the centennial of the loss of White Star Line's RMS *Titanic* due to its collision with an ice berg during the night of April 12, 1912 was treated as a philatelic event by many around the world. The postal systems in at least 15 countries issued stamps either because their citizens were on the RMS *Titanic* during its maiden voyage across the Atlantic Ocean in 1912 or just wanted to issue stamps that they hoped collectors might buy.

The event I'm writing about is the loss of Cunard Line's RMS *Lusitania* when it was torpedoed by submarine *U-20* during the *Lusitania*'s 202nd crossing of the Atlantic Ocean off the southern coast of Ireland on May 7, 1915.

I found that Ireland's An Post has announced it will issue one stamp to commemorate the *Lusitania* on the date of the 100th anniversary of its loss.

I haven't been able to find a picture of the An Post stamp. If you find one please let me know. Also if you read about any other countries issuing stamps for the *Lusitania* please let me know.

OUR MEETING LOCATION

Student Services Building at Northeast State Community College
Located near the Tri-Cities Airport

OUR INTERNET WEBSITE

www.sefsc.org/holston-stamp-club.html

2015 Holston Stamp Club Survey

Feedback on the following Club activities

Club Activity/Function:	More of this:	Okay as is:	Less of this:	Thoughts /Comments
➤ Business /Introductions	1	15	1	About Right - short
➤ Education/Presentations	6	10	1	Like Dick Jackson's talks, every other mtg.
➤ Monthly Auctions	5	12		Need to shorten
➤ Quarterly Bourse	4	12		
➤ Newsletter	4	13		Like Pat's feature, more info items (2)
➤ Club Stamp Buying Activity	5	9	2	+, Buy Supplies; Buy bulk, split, no inventory; Unnecessary; Buy 1# lots & have "picking party"
➤ Pre-meeting Activity	3	12		Good opportunity @6:30 to socialize
➤ Socializing & Talking	1	14	1	Use time before & after meeting
Please describe any modification/improvement suggestions you have: 1.)Silent Auction/Bid Board @ Bourse, 2.)Contribution Lots For Club Treasury, 3.) APS circuit books, 4.) Invite Knoxville Club to bring their stamps up, 5.) Need longer meeting to 9:30, 6.) Need club directory: names, phone#, what they collect, 7.) Consider meeting during daytime, 7.) Before meeting sales , 8.) Don't change a thing, 9.) 1/3 time on1rst two items, 1/3 auction, 1/3 on last 2 items				

- Subjects You Would Like To See Presented: Catalog Value – What does it mean? ; How a stamp issue gets approved ; General Collecting; Members Collections; Perfins; Precancels; How to price non FD covers; Short descriptions of members collections; How to discriminate & identify difficult issues
What you want to buy:
- Stamps: U.S. Revenues; Pre 1960 foreign sets & singles; U.S. mint well centered Scott #1-500, First airmail sets of every country, Rotary international, Ducks, The world pre 1940 (2), Belgium Parcel Post, Socked on the nose cancels; Revenues, State Revenues, Misc. Odd pieces, British Commonwealth, British Pacific Islands; VFMNHpre-1920 US; used US, topicals: trains ,planes , cars, scouts; Earlier U.S. & back of book, U.S. Terr.; everything; Foreign especially Europe, Scandinavia, Japan, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Canada, Australia, New Zealand; World 1970 to 2000
- Cards/Covers: Postal History (2), Pre 1875 Transatlantic, Demonetized Usage; Post cards (2), QSL Cards (ham radio); FDC's; Special event covers; Space covers; Recent FDC's Americana & Balloon
- Literature: Books/pamphlets about specific series like Wash/Franklins, Kan/Neb. Etc; Books on Australia, Brazil, Argentina, Chile
- Other: Advertising letterheads with building, animals, vehicles, covers with contents, Perfins, Precancels, RPOs; Stamps & covers of meteorites, observatories & astronomers; Souvenir Sheets of "good" countries; Material from seldom seen and defunct countries
- What are your collecting areas of interest? Specific Countries of interest are on the next page.
[Check all that apply]

World Group Index			2017-2018 Index			2019-2020 Index			2021-2022 Index		
7	Aden	7	Cayman Islands	6	French Morocco	7	Kenya	6	Niger	6	Spanish Colonies
6	Aegean Islands	4	Central African Republic	5	French Oceania	4	Korea	7	Nigeria	7	Sri Lanka & Ceylon
6	Afghanistan	4	Chad	6	French Sudan	4	Kosovo	4	Niufo'ou	7	St Helena
5	Aitutaki	7	Channel Islands	5	French West Africa	7	Kuwait	7	Niue	5	St. Kitts & Nevis
6	Åland Islands	6	Chile	6	Gabon	4	Kyrgyzstan	6	Norfolk Island	6	St. Lucia
6	Albania	5	China	5	Gambia	6	Latvia	7	North Borneo & Labuan	6	St. Pierre & Miquelon
6	Algeria	5	Chinese Provinces	6	Georgia	6	Lebanon	7	Norway	8	St. Vincent
6	Andorra	5	People's Rep. of China	9	German Colonies	6	Leeward Islands	6	Oman	7	Sudan
5	Angola	6	Christmas Island	7	German States	4	Lesotho	9	Orange River Colony	6	Suriname
4	Anguilla	5	Cilicia	7	Germany	6	Liberia	6	Pakistan	7	Swaziland
5	Antarctic Territories	5	Cocos (Keeling) Islands	7	Germany (Allied Occ.)	6	Libya	4	Palau	6	Sweden
5	Antigua & Barbuda	5	Colombia	6	German Plebiscites	7	Liechtenstein	7	Palestine	7	Switzerland
6	Argentina	5	Comoro Islands	5	Ghana	7	Lithuania	6	Panama	6	Syria
6	Armenia	6	Congo	7	Gibraltar	7	Luxembourg	7	Papua New Guinea	6	Taiwan
7	Ascension	7	Cook Islands	7	Gilbert & Ellice Islands	6	Macao	6	Paraguay	4	Tajikistan
7	Australia	6	Costa Rica	8	Great Britain	4	Macedonia	5	Penrhyn	6	Tanzania
7	Austria	6	Crete	7	G. B. Regional Issues	6	Madagascar	6	Peru	7	Thailand
6	Azerbaijan	7	Croatia	8	Greece	5	Madeira	6	Philippines	6	Thrace
6	Azores & Terr.	7	Cuba	5	Greenland	6	Malagasy Republic	6	Pitcairn Islands	6	Tibet
9	Bahamas	6	Curacao	5	Grenada	4	Malawi	6	Poland	6	Togo
7	Bahrain	7	Cyprus	6	Guatemala	6	Malaya	6	Portugal	5	Tokelau
5	Bangladesh	5	Czech Republic	5	Guinea	6	Malaysia	6	Portuguese Colonies	7	Tonga
8	Barbados	6	Czechoslovakia	4	Guinea-Bissau	6	Maldives Islands	5	Qatar	8	Transvaal
4	Belarus	6	Dahomey	5	Guyana	4	Mali Republic	8	Rhodesia	7	Trieste
6	Belgium	8	Danzig	6	Haiti	7	Malta	6	Romania	7	Trinidad & Tobago
7	Belize & Br. Honduras	6	Denmark	6	Honduras	6	Manchukuo	6	Russia	5	Tristan da Cunha
4	Benin	5	Djibouti	7	Hong Kong	4	Marshall Islands	5	Russian Civil War Issues	4	Trucial States
6	Berlin	6	Dominica	6	Hungary	6	Martinique	6	Ryukyu	5	Tunisia
8	Bermuda	6	Dominican Republic	7	Iceland	5	Mauritania	7	Saar	6	Turkey
4	Bhutan	6	Ecuador	8	India	7	Mauritius	7	Samoa	4	Turkmenistan
6	Bohemia & Moravia	6	Egypt	6	Indian Conv. States	6	Mexico	6	San Marino	8	Turks & Caicos Islands
6	Bolivia	6	El Salvador	6	Indian Native States	4	Micronesia	5	Sao Tome e Principe	7	Uganda
7	Bosnia & Herzegovina	4	Equatorial Guinea	6	Indian Overseas Forces	4	Moldova	6	Saudi Arabia	5	Ukraine
5	Botswana	6	Eritrea	7	Indo-China	6	Monaco	6	Senegal	5	United Arab Emirates
6	Brazil	5	Estonia	6	Indonesia	6	Mongolia	6	Serbia	6	United Nations
5	Brit. Antarctic Territory	6	Ethiopia (Abyssinia)	6	Ionian Islands	7	Montenegro	6	Seychelles	12	United States
7	Brit. East Africa (K.U.T.)	7	Falkland Islands & Dep.	6	Iran	7	Montserrat	4	Sharjah	6	Uruguay
7	British Guiana	5	Faroe Islands	6	Iraq	6	Morocco	7	Sierra Leone	4	Uzbekistan
6	Brunei	7	Fiji	7	Ireland	6	Mozambique & Terr.	7	Singapore	4	Vanuatu
5	Bulgaria & Terr.	6	Finland	6	Israel	4	Nagorno-Karabakh	6	Slovakia	6	Vatican City
4	Burkina Faso & Up. Volta	6	Fiume	6	Italian Colonies	5	Namibia	5	Slovenia	6	Venezuela
5	Burma	6	France	5	Italian States	9	Natal	6	Solomon Islands	7	Vietnam
6	Cameroun	6	French Colonies	6	Italy	7	Nauru	6	Somalia	8	Virgin Islands
10	Canada	6	French Congo	6	Ivory Coast	7	Nepal	5	Somali Coast	5	Yemen
7	Canadian Provinces	5	French Equatorial Africa	8	Jamaica	6	Netherlands	6	Somalland Protectorate	6	Yugoslavia
7	Canal Zone	6	French Guiana	6	Japan	6	Nevis	7	South Africa	5	Zambia
8	Cape of Good Hope	5	French Guinea	6	Jordan	6	New Zealand & Terr.	6	South Georgia	6	Zimbabwe
6	Cape Verde Islands	6	French India	4	Kazakhstan	6	Nicaragua	6	Spain	6	Zululand

CLASSIFIED SECTION

Items Holston Stamp Club members are interested in selling.

Charlie (Dr. Rocks) Bartlett, is having a STAMP EXTRA SUPER SALE.

U. S. Stamps—Mint (mostly never hinged)
U. S. Stamps—Used
British Commonwealth (from A to Z)
World Countries: 6 Albums (from A to Z)
Mostly at 20% of Catalogue Value (some less)
Plus extra 10% discount when purchase exceeds \$50.00

Isn't it easier to leisurely compare the empty spots in your album when you search my extras (so you don't buy duplicates)?

Bring your album(s) to my office, and I will bring my extra book(s) for you to search slowly.

I have a full set of Scott's 2012 catalogues to use.

Call me for an appointment at (276) 628-4136 at my office, 432 East Main Street, Suite G, Abingdon, Virginia (or I may be able to meet you at another location).

P.S. I can even loan you one or more of these extras books for a month if that will suit you better! I trust all HSC members to return books in a timely manner so others can use them.

Items Holston Stamp Club members are interested in buying

Dan Hubbard is always looking to purchase used stock books of all types. Contact me directly or bring them to the next meeting.

Don Ashley (e-mail dwa7@bvunet.net) wants the following:

Uncacheted FDCs: any quantity, preferred left side free of address. Address centered or to the right side and open flap highly desired. Please advise what you have available.

Also interested in dual FDCs for joint issues with foreign countries.

Ed Ferber is buying and selling government postal cards - US, Possessions, Canada, Caribbean islands, WW. Interested in mint and used, collections or individual cards, early or contemporary use. Greatest interest in illustrated advertisement and unusual usage (e.g.: rare foreign destination, auxiliary marking, special delivery). Please contact Ed at my.collie.dog@gmail.com or his 302-593-4192 cell phone.

Ed Ferber also desires collections or individual postal stationery items in mint, pre-printed or used condition that are unusual in some way. Seeking specialty items such as EFO, plate variety, poor inking, mis-cut, fold-over, illustrated advertisement, exposition, twice used, special delivery, postage due, auxiliary marking (missent, damaged, train late and others). Also want contemporary cards properly used in rate period with solid postmarks.

Bob Smith is looking for early USA stamps, mostly Scott No. 500 and earlier in both mint and used. See Bob at the meeting for want list.

Holston Stamp Club Special Auction – Lot Owner List

Owner Name _____, Owner Initials xx _____, Please print or type.

Owner Initials xx	Lot #	Catalog # and/or Description	Catalog Value	Catalog Used	Minimum Bid \$	Winning Bidder #	Winning Bid \$
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